

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Examiner's further Office Action of August 10, 2009 issued with respect to the present RCE application, the Applicant respectfully submits the accompanying Amendment of claims and the below Remarks.

Regarding Amendment

In the Amendment:

independent claims 1 and 6 are amended to omit "that timeslot" and to specify that each timeslot in the timeslot list is configured so that a CPU write request is performed before either a non-CPU write request or non-CPU read request; and

dependent claim 2-5, 7 and 9 are unchanged.

It is respectfully submitted that the Amendment does not add any new matter to the present application because support for these amendments can be found, for example, at paragraphs [2694]-[2698] of US Application Publication No. 2005/0177633 of the present application.

Regarding 35 USC 112, second paragraph Rejections

It is respectfully submitted that the amendments of independent claims 1 and 6 to recite "each timeslot of the timeslot list" and to omit the recitation "that timeslot" render the claims definite.

Regarding 35 USC 103(a) Rejections and Response to Arguments

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of amended independent claims 1 and 6, and claims 2-5, 7 and 9 dependent therefrom, is not taught or suggested by Stacovsky, NPL2, Mundkur and Johnson either taken alone or in combination with one another, because the amendments of independent claims 1 and 6 remove the "*can*" language cited by the Examiner by requiring that CPU requests are performed before any non-CPU requests in any timeslot.

It is respectfully submitted that all of the Examiner's rejections have been traversed. Accordingly, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Very respectfully,

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